

DELAWARE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

The Townsend Building
401 Federal Street, Suite 2
Dover, Delaware 19901

Meeting Minutes

Department of Education
Cabinet Room
Dover, DE 19904
April 4, 2019
5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Gerald Allen, Amber Augustus, Celeste Bunting, Jennifer Campbell, Terri Eros, Holly Grandfield, Sandra Hall, David Kohan, Byron Murphy, Fran O'Malley, Darlene O'Neill, Loretta Phipps-Greig, and Mary Pinkston

Members Absent: Earle Dempsey, Darren Guido, and Sue Smith

Others Present: Chris Kenton, PSB Executive Director; Laura Makransky, Deputy Attorney General, representing the PSB; Rick Lane, PSB Administrative Assistant; Jon Neubauer, DOE; Wendy Modzelewski, DOE; Chip Simpson, DOE; Randy Fisher, DOE

I. Opening

A. **Call to Order:** Byron Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

B. **Roll Call**

Rick Lane conducted roll call for the meeting with 13 members present (Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston).

C. **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Fran O'Malley and seconded by Terri Eros to approve the April 4, 2019 agenda. **The motion carried unanimously** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

D. **Approval of Minutes for August 2, 2018 and February 7, 2019**

Due to an insufficient number of members present, the August 2018 minutes were not able to be approved.

A motion to approve the March 7, 2019 meeting minutes as presented was made by Holly Grandfield and seconded by Terri Eros. **The motion carried unanimously** (10 – Yes: Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No; 3 – Abstain: Allen, Hall, and O'Neill).

Due to not having the minutes for the March 7, 2019 Executive Session, March 28, 2019 Special Meeting, and March 28, 2019 Executive Session available for review, the minutes were not able to be approved.

II. Executive Directors Report

Chris Kenton reported that he:

- Met monthly with the DOE Licensure and Certification Office
- Met monthly with Associate Secretary Jon Neubauer
- Met monthly with Jenna Ahner, Executive Director of the State Board of Education
- Met with Secretary of Education, Dr. Susan Bunting
- Presented to the H.R. Directors at monthly DASPA meeting
- Researched Praxis information for Art, Music, and Theatre
- Held a meeting with Jenna Ahner of State Board and Deb Stevens of DSEA in regards to National Board Certification
- Held a meeting with Senator Sokola, Deb Stevens and Kristin Dwyer from DSEA, and several National Board Certified Teachers to discuss steps moving forward for reinstatement of their 12%
- Researched Performance Assessments and the current exemptions
- Worked with the Finance Department around the PSB budget for the remainder of the year
- Delivered hearing files to the New Castle County Courthouse
- Delivered a Professional Development presentation to Delmar School District with Jon Neubauer and Chip Simpson
- Has met several times with Deb Hansen regarding the arts regulations up for publication this evening
- Has had several discussions with Lynn Fulon-Archer from the Department around the Immersion Programs in Delaware.
- Has held several discussions with Jon Neubauer and Wendy Modzelewski regarding Regulation 1517 - Paraeducator
- Has had several conversations with Jon Neubauer and Monica Gant from the Department around the area of Computer Science
- Has held several discussion with the Department around House Bill 100, and how it might impact several PSB regulations
- Has worked with the Department on all Special Education regulations. He is expecting to get some recommended changes from the Department on these soon.
- Attended a meeting with an Administrator from Millsboro Middle School related to an issue with hiring a reading specialist

III. Other

A. PSB License Disciplinary Action, File 2018-01

A motion was made by Gerald Allen and seconded by Fran O'Malley to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters of a confidential nature. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Holly Grandfield to exit Executive Session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Celeste Bunting and seconded by Gerald Allen to adopt the decision of the hearing officer with the amendment as specified to the punishment. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Holly Grandfield and seconded by Celeste Bunting to take a five minute recess. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

IV. **Presentations**

None

V. **Action Items**

A. Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License (for Publication)

Chris Kenton presented several changes to Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License that had been presented since the regulation was last revised.

A motion was made by Amber Augustus and seconded by Terri Eros to approve Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

B. Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License (for Publication)

Chris Kenton presented several changes to Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License that had been presented since the regulation was last revised.

A motion was made by Loretta Phipps-Greig and seconded by Holly Grandfield to approve Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

C. Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher.

A motion was made by Sandra Hall and seconded by Darlene O'Neill to approve Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13

– Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

D. Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher.

A motion was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Loretta Phipps-Greig to approve Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher as amended for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

E. Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher.

A motion was made by Loretta Phipps-Greig and seconded by Fran O'Malley to approve Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

F. Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher.

A motion was made by Fran O'Malley and seconded by Sandra Hall to approve Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

VI. **Discussion Items**

None

VII. **PSB Standing Committees**

A. ***Licensure and Certification Criteria Committee***

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

B. ***Professional Development and Associated Compensation Criteria Committee***

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

VIII. Other

A. PSB Personnel Matter

A motion was made by XXX and seconded by XXX to move to executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

The Board entered into executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

A motion was made by XXX and seconded by XXX to return to open session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by XXX and seconded by XXX to approve what the Board discussed during executive session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

IX. Public Comment

None

X. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by XXX and seconded by XXX. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

The meeting adjourned at X:XX p.m.